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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent
per Annum on the daily balance.

On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

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S. C. OH, Agent.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1898. [382]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000

Paid up Capital £ 324,374

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:—
D. Gillies, Esq.
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Chan Kit Shan, Esq. | Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.

Chief Manager:—
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per Cent.
On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per
Cent. per Annum.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1898. [383]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$ 8,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROP'TORS. \$10,000,000

COUNT OF DIRECTORS:
Hon. J. J. BELL-IRVING—Chairman.
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MANAGER:—
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LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per Cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 per Cent. per Annum.

For 6 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum.

For 12 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1898. [384]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ PER
CENT. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option,
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1898. [385]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £450,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months... 4 per cent.

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T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 24th May, 1898. [386]

GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN
GOLD MINING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that a SECOND
AND FINAL CALL of ONE DOLLAR
and FIFTY CENTS (\$1.50) per Share has been
made in respect of the Shares in the above-
named Company not fully paid up and that such
call is PAYABLE on the First day of Septem-
ber next, to the Company's Bankers, THE
HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING COR-
PORATION, Hongkong.

FULLY PAID-UP SHARE CERTIFI-
CATES will be given in exchange for the
Provisional Scrip and Receipt for the Call at
present in circulation.

LÜTGENS, EINSTMANN & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 30th July, 1898. [387]

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

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FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS
JAPAN, &c. Socotra* T. H. Hide, R.N.R. ... About 15th August ... Freight only.
LONDON Japan T. Leigh ... About 18th August ... Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c. Manila* R. L. Haddock, R.N.R. About 19th August ... Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI Satsel* A. Symons ... About 19th August ... Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c. Parmastraat, C. F. Preston ... Noon, 20th August ... Freight or Passage.
JAPAN, &c. Rosetta* E. P. Bishop ... 6 P.M., 20th August ... Freight or Passage.
(Passing through the Inland Seas.)

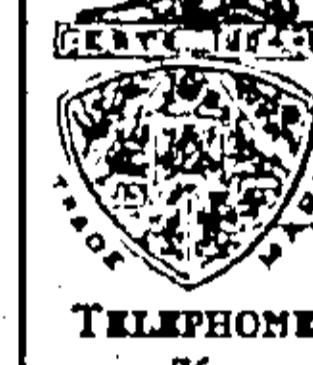
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For Further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 8th August, 1898. [388]

"HORSE HEAD" BRAND.



BASS'S PALE ALE Guaranteed to be
GUINNESS'S EXTRA FOREIGN STOUT the Best Quality
brewed

BOTTLED IN LONDON.

The Bottles bear BASS & Co.'s and ARTH. GUINNESS SONS & Co.'s
Labels, respectively.

EVERY BOTTLE GUARANTEED IN GOOD ORDER AND CONDITION.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & Co.,
Wine and Spirit Merchants.

15, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, 22nd July, 1898. [389]

D. C. L.

OLD TOM GIN \$7 per doz.
DRY GIN 7 "

Owing to our holding sole bottling rights from the DISTILLERS CO., LD, we are able to offer
their HIGH-CLASS Gins at above LOW PRICE.

H. PRICE & CO.,

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS, No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

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LEITH.

AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

TRY THE

CURRY

AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE CLUB HOTEL, LIMITED.

No. 5-B, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and
supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.

The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all
Mail Steamers.

Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager.

Yokohama, 1st October, 1898. [390]

TO CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS.

W. POWELL & CO.
HAVE A LARGE STOCK OF
FIRE GRATES
WITH AND WITHOUT TILES.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1898. [391]

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,

FOR THE UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LIMITED, LONDON,

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MANUFACTURERS OF THE

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HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS of all kinds.

"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.

ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best quantities.

ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

SUPERINTENDENT..... THOS. SKINNER.

DODWELL CARLILL & Co., General Agents.

PEAK HOTEL.

1350 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL adjoining the Tramway Terminus. FINE HEALTHY LOCATION;
Commanding Magnificent View of the City and Harbour, the Mainland of China, and
numerous Islands. Cool southerly breezes in Summer, with perfect protection against the North-
East winds in winter.

Well appointed rooms, attentive service and excellent Cuisine.

J. MARCESSE, Chef de Cuisine.

CRAIGIEBURN is now open, for terms apply to

CITY OFFICE, No. 7, Duddell Street.

GEORGE J. CASANOVA,
Manager.

MGR. PEAK HOTEL.

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MOSQUITO LOTION

BATH SPONGES

SYRUPS

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PRICKLY HEAT LOTION

CHAMPAGNE

G. H. MUNN & Co. \$35-50 \$37-50

WHISKY

D. DEWAR'S "IMPERIAL INSTITUTE" \$10-50

MCCREDIE'S "SPECIALY SELECTED" \$10-50

PORT WINE

G. DE GODES "3 GRAPE" BRAND \$24-00

SHEWAN, TOME & Co., Agents.

Praya Central.

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ROBERTSON SANDERSON & CO., LIMITED.

LEITH.

CELEBRATED SCOTCH WHISKIES.

(1):

Per Case.

"GLENLEITH" BRAND \$10

"SECOND TO NONE" 12

"MOUNTAIN DEW" 13

LIQUEUR WHISKY 15

All the above brands we guarantee to be pure Malt Whiskies. The "Second to None" "Mountain Dew" and Liqueur Whisky are all over ten years old.

Sole agents for Hongkong and Southern Ports of China.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED,

To-day's
Advertisement.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIE—MEXICAN DOLLARS, Current in this Colony, and weighing 7.17, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at to day's sight on the Lord's Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 A.M. on TUESDAY, the 11th instant.

The Tenders to state the total amount required (in Pounds Sterling), and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for sums less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate and in sealed covers, addressed to the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "Tenders for Government Bills."

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

E. H. GORGES,
Colonel,
Chief Paymaster, China.
Her Majesty's Treasury Office,
Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 8th August, 1898. [958]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

EXHIBITORS desirous of taking part in the Paris Exhibition of 1900 are requested to communicate before the 15th instant with the Undersigned, from whom particulars may be obtained.

By Command,
T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 9th August, 1898. [951]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on TUESDAY, the 16th day of August, 1898, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command,
T. SERCOMBE SMITH,
Acting Colonial Secretary,
Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 30th July, 1898. [956]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting of Public Auction Sale, to be held on Tuesday, the 16th day of August, 1898, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of Two Lots of CROWN LAND, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Area.	Rate.	Up-to-Date Price.
Kennedy Rd. (North of Under- Church)	"	"	3,150	15	£1,650
do.	"	"	3,150	15	£1,650

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
FOR SHANGAI.
THE Company's Steamship

"DARDANUS."
Captain Gregory, will be despatched to MORROW, the 10th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1898. [954]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR AMOY.
THE Company's Steamship

"JASON."
Captain Lycell, will be despatched TO-MORROW, the 10th instant, at Daylight.
For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1898. [953]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.
FOR SHANGAI.

THE Company's Steamship

"KIUK'ANG."
Captain Dawson, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 10th instant, at 10 A.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1898. [957]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.
FOR TIENTSIN.

THE Company's Steamship

"NANCHANG."
Captain Finlayson, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 10th instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1898. [945]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING."
Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 16th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1898. [959]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM KOBE.

"MARIA VALERIE," having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon on the 16th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 16th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELKE & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1898. [953]

To-day's
Advertisement.

CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 84.

NOTICK is hereby given that the 13th instant (6th Moon, 26th day) being the BIRTHDAY of H.M. the EMPEROR of China will be observed as a HOLIDAY at the KOW-LOON CUSTOMS, OPIUM EXAMINATION OFFICE and STATIONS.

All Examination of Cargo and Clearances of Jucks will be suspended on that date.

H. M. HILLIER,
Commissioner of Customs
for Kowloon and District.

Custom House,
Kowloon, 8th August, 1898. [960]

INTIMATIONS.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLY AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

Lemonade.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are made under the constant supervision of a duly qualified English Chemist and will bear comparison with the best English Manufactures. Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MISSES and other Large Consumers. my complaints should be addressed to the Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [50]

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" ARE MOST RESPECTFULLY REMINDED THAT ALL SUBSCRIPTIONS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

MANUFACTURERS OF
AERATED WATERS.

AERATED WATERS of our manufacture are sold throughout the Far East and are invariably preferred on account of their excellence.

ABSOLUTE PURITY is guaranteed. The best materials only are used.

THE PRICES are only half those charged in England.

WATERS MANUFACTURED BY US are acknowledged by the leading English makers to be equal to those of their own production.

SIR EDWARD FRANKLAND, K.C.B., D.C.L., F.R.S., F.C.S., &c. the greatest living authority on Water, reports as follows on the water as prepared and used by us in our manufacture:—

"It possesses an extremely high degree of organic purity and is of most excellent quality for drinking."

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

Hongkong, 18th June, 1898. [7]

DEATH.

On the 11th July, at Sandakan, B. N. Boorne JOSEPH WILLIAMS, Inspector of B. N. Boorne Constabulary, formerly of Shropshire L. I. Regiment and Hongkong Police, of congenital of the lungs. Deeply regretted by all Officers.

MILITARY:

"Do you call this sponge cake? Why, it's as hard as it can be!" New Cook:

"Yes, mom, that's the way a sponge is before it's wet. Soak it in your tea, mum."

DURING the week ended 6th August no cases or deaths from plague were reported in the colony. There were, however, one case of enteric fever and one case of small-pox, both of which terminated fatally.

It is reported in Nagasaki that the *Sodagawa Maru*, a dredger owned by Messrs. Okura & Co., and now at the southern port, has been purchased by the Russian Government. The dredge is to be taken to Port Arthur shortly.

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at Peking of late, has as we have already pointed out, indicated a wish upon the part of Russia to bring matters to a head sooner than would have otherwise happened, and it is probable that the British public are much better informed as to the recent course of events at the Chinese capital than we are in Hongkong, and that further and graver complications have arisen than we have as yet been made acquainted with.

The acquisition of the Sultanate of Raheita by Russia as a naval base, coming as it does at the present time, is in itself significant. Raheita is situated upon the African shore of the Straits of Bab-el-Mandeb, opposite to the British coaling station of Perim, and is an eminently suitable position for rendering the strategical importance of Aden and Perim, as commanding the southern entrance to the Red Sea, of little value. This fresh acquisition of Russia's cannot be otherwise regarded than as an attempt to close one of our ocean highways to us in the event of war, and so prevent reliefs from England reaching the China squadron by way of the Suez Canal and the Red Sea. The island of Perim is practically unprotected and in the event of hostilities arising Russia would, from her naval station on the opposite African coast, be enabled to seize Perim, together with our stocks of coal there, and so have a halfway house at which to replenish her ships on the voyage from the Black Sea to China. This new move upon the part of Russia evidently points to a desire to establish a string of coaling stations along the trade route from Europe to China, and as the establishment of such naval bases would seriously threaten our position in the Far East it is evident that the desires of Russia should be nipped in the bud as soon as possible. The position of Russia, with a coaling station in the Red Sea and another in the Philippines, for she will be certain to demand one if once the game of grab commences, would be almost equal to our own. While from her position at Vladivostock and Port Arthur she would be enabled to operate from both ends of the China trade route simultaneously and so place us at a decided disadvantage.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

A RUSSIAN COALING STATION IN THE RED SEA.

LONDON, August 7th.

The *Novoye Vremya* announces that Russia has acquired the Sultanate of Raheita in the Red Sea as a naval base.

GREAT BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

The newspapers regard the Anglo-Russian relations in China as critical and apprehensive complications. The Stock market is weak.

ILLNESS OF THE QUEEN OF DENMARK.

The Queen of Denmark is reported as being seriously ill and the family is assembling at Copenhagen.

THE PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

It is semi-officially stated in Madrid that Spain's reply to the United States accepts the conditions of peace, merely stipulating for a suspension of hostilities in order to avoid complicating the negotiations for a definite peace.

THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR.

The first transport with American troops from Santiago has arrived at New York.

The landing of the American troops on the South Coast of Puerto Rico is practically complete. The Americans are welcomed everywhere on the island.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report to-day says:—On the 9th at 11.20 a.m.: The barometer is rising in, and to the Southward of the Formosa Channel, falling in Shanghai. The typhoon is moving Northwards on the mainland to the N.W. of Foochow. Forecast:—Fresh S.W. winds; showery with thunder.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE Japanese coast-defence ship *Matsushima* left for Manila this morning.

The Post Office Authorities inform us that correspondence for Cuba cannot be forwarded at present.

THE Lumière Cinematograph Exhibition near Pudding's Wharf continues to attract large audiences and everybody is delighted with the show.

GROOM—A ring round the moon is a sign of rain, Bride (tweety)—And a ring round a woman's finger is the sign of—. Groom (sudsy)—Reign.

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ANNEXATION OF AN ISLAND
BY THE JAPANESE.

According to the vernacular press it would appear that the Japanese Government has been affected by the anti-cession fever still existing almost all the Powers, and some months ago hoisted the flag of the Rising Sun over a small island south of Japan, naming it Minami Tori-jima. The island has been attached for administrative purposes to the Bonin Islands. It is situated in latitude 24° 45' N., long. 154° deg. E., and is said to have been first discovered by an American Captain and marked on the chart as Marcus Island. The Japanese who first came across the island were a fisherman of Edo-kawa, but when he made the discovery is not stated. On the 3rd December, 1895, Mr. Marsten Shiroda of Tokyo explored it, and the island has now been formally annexed to the Japanese territory. Twenty men and women and three children have been sent to the island for its cultivation. Its exact area is unknown, but it is estimated that 300,000 tubs can be cultivated. —*Koto Chronicle*.

THANKSGIVING AND PRAYERS
FOR PEACE.

"LEST WE FORGET."
WASHINGTON, July 6th.—President McKinley at 11.40 to-night issued the following proclamation to the American people:

To the people of the United States of America: At this time, when to the yet fresh remembrance of the unprecedented success which attended the operations of the United States fleet in the Bay of Manila on the 1st day of May last, are added the tidings of the no less glorious achievements of the naval and military arms of our beloved country at Santiago de Cuba, it is fitting that we should pause, and, staying the feeling of exultation that too naturally attends great deeds wrought by our countrymen in our country's cause, should reverently bow before the throne of divine grace and give devout praise to God, who holds the nations in the hollow of his hands and worketh upon them the marvels of his high will, and has thus far vouchsafed to us the light of his face and led our brave soldiers and seamen to victory.

Therefore ask the people of the United States, upon next assembling for divine worship in their respective places of meeting, to offer thanksgiving to Almighty God, who, in his inscrutable ways, now leading our hosts upon the waters to uncrowned triumph, now gilding them in a strange land through the dread shadows of death to success, even though at a fearful cost, now bearing them without accident, or loss to far distant climes, has watched over our cause and brought never the success of the right and the attainment of just and honorable peace.

With the Nation's thanks let there be mingled the Nation's prayers that our gallant sons may be shielded from harm alike on the battle-fields and in the clash of fleets, and be spared the scourge of suffering and disease while they are striving to uphold their country's honor; and without let the Nation's heart be stilled with holy awe at the thought of the noble men who have perished as heroes did and be filled with compassionate sympathy for all those who suffer bereavement or endure sickness, wounds and bonds by reason of the awful struggle. And, above all, let us pray with earnest fervor that He, the dispenser of all good, may speedily remove from us the untold afflictions of war and bring to our dear land the blessings of restored peace, and to all the domains now ravaged by the cruel strife the priceless boon of security and tranquillity.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY,
Executive Mansion, Washington, D. C.
July 6th, 1898.

EVENTS IN CHINA.

The events which have been passing in China are, as the plain man is painfully aware, of a complicated character, and the cautious person will be careful not to venture an opinion upon any point upon which diversity of view is so very possible. But without daring to hazard the expression of a view as to whether the past and present policy of this country has been and is very wise or very foolish; without presuming for a moment to suggest any definite line of action, it is yet permissible and even desirable to get a clear idea of what has happened and of what is now occurring. What has happened is that the Russian Empire has eaten up an enormous portion of the Chinese. What is occurring is that the hand of Russia is even now impinging over the centre of the celestial empire. As Dethi was in the days of Clive and of Hastings, so is Pekin now. Not yet nominally captured, it yet lies almost within the grip of the Czar. We must be blind indeed if we cannot see the deliberate intent of Russia to make out of China a second India.

The point which he arises is whether this process is good or bad for ourselves. Four hundred million human beings in China will shortly be wanting manufactured articles to supply the needs of the new industrial life which is beginning for them. Who will supply these manufactures? Will the British artisan supply them, or will the artisan of Russia, Germany, or France? With whom does it rest to give the final answer to that question? Evidently with the power—whatever power it may be—exercising effective territorial jurisdiction over China itself. If that authority be the Chinese Government, then the decision rests with them. If the authority be the Government of Russia, of Germany, or of France, then the British artisan must depend for the assurance of his bread and butter, so far as his bread and butter are bound up with the retention of the Chinese markets, upon the goodwill and pleasure of these, his rivals. From this conclusion there is no escape, because it is clear that whenever a dispute arose between the British Empire and any one of the three States named it would be open to the latter to prohibit, wholly or in part, the entrance of British goods. Excluding a war of tariffs, against which as yet British opinion sets its face, the sole weapon left in the hand of the British Government in such a contingency is the weapon of war, the same weapon which it possesses now, but which it then would wield under circumstances of much difficulty; for if Russia were the man in possession, then to drive the troops of Russia and perhaps Chinese armies offered by Russians out of China would be a task which would be altogether beyond the military resources of the British Empire. The sword of Britain as things stand is her fleet. By that alone she could deal, in case of need, effective blows at Russia; but by alone she can render possible the military operations which the occasion might demand. Even the fleet, it is two, would be useless unless it were supplied by British statesmen with energy, with foresight and with resolution. But all these qualities, on the other hand, would be futile unless the Navy of the Empire were adequate to its great needs. Therefore one imperative necessity presses on the British artisan, and on the whole industrial population of the Empire at the present time. It is to see to it that the British Navy be strengthened to the extent which the national interests demand, and that no misplaced economy should invalidate his power when the crisis comes.—*Navy League*.

THE R. E. VARIETY CLUB.

The members of the R. E. Variety Club gave another of their popular entertainments at Wellington Barracks last evening in the Theatre (boat house) before a large and enthusiastic audience. The place was tastefully decorated and a large amount of skill was shown in the stage arrangements, which reflected credit on all concerned. The orchestra, conducted by Mr. T. C. Hughes considerably added to the success of the show. Some excellent songs were given in the first part, the comic element being fully supplied by Sappers Rogers and Rutherford and corporal Ward. Sapper Spillard also made a hit with his fine rendering of "Sunshine above." The success of the evening was the duet "Excuse me," by C. S. M. Bouton and Mrs. Bouton. The lady's singing and playing were alike admirable and she received a very handsome floral tribute, besides several recalls. The second part consisted of a good selection of sentimental and comic songs and the programmes closed with a "domestic comedy drama" entitled "Our Lot." Sapper D. Hart took the name part very well and Messrs. Calderwood, Ward, Connolly, Meach, and Housley all acquitted themselves satisfactorily. These entertainments are very popular with the garrison and the fleet and we hope they will continue to be a regular institution in the way of recreation for our service people. As regards last night's show all concerned are to be heartily congratulated,

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

THE CAPTAIN FRANCIS CARBINE
CHALLENGE CUP.

The following has been issued in the general orders of the Hongkong Volunteer Corps:

The Commandant has much pleasure in announcing that Captain J. J. Francis has presented to the Corps a handsome silver cup for competition among the units of the corps. The conditions of the competition are as follows:

1.—The cup shall be known as "The Captain Francis Carbine Challenge Cup, 1898."

2.—The cup shall be competed for monthly by teams, one from each of the several units composing the Hongkong Volunteer Corps.

3.—Each team shall consist of ten competitors; the committee shall vary the composition of the teams as much as practicable.

4.—The weapon to be used shall be the service carbine.

5.—All effective Volunteers of any rank shall be eligible to compete.

6.—If, at any time, circumstances arise, rendering it impossible to form teams of ten aside, the members may, at the discretion of the committee, be reduced. The minimum strength of each team shall be six.

7.—Should there be at any time, temporarily, only one unit composing the Hongkong Volunteer Corps, teams elected from half-battalions, sections or sub-divisions of that unit, may compete monthly for the cup under rules which shall be made by the committee to suit the circumstances.

8.—The unit having the majority of wins during the year, *i.e.*, 12 consecutive shots, shall hold the cup during the ensuing year. Should there be a tie, the tie shall be shot off at the annual carbine competition, or other date appointed by the committee.

9.—The cup shall be in the custody of the captain of the winning unit, the committee being empowered to call for it when required for exhibition, &c., &c.

10.—The committee shall arrange all details for the competitions.

11.—The cup shall remain the property of the H. K. V. C. and shall not be offered for competition under any conditions, except as provided by these rules.

The Commandant feels sure that the officers, non-commissioned officers and men of the Corps will concur in the expression of grateful thanks, which he has already made on their behalf, to Captain Francis for his generous gift. The cup may be seen at Head-quarters during the next few days.

A JOURNEY THROUGH HUNAN.

The Shanghai correspondent of the *Standard* has had an interesting interview with Captain O'Sullivan, late of the Royal Artillery, who has recently returned from a remarkable three months' journey through Hunan.

My first question to Captain O'Sullivan naturally touched on the disposition of the inhabitants and the sort of reception they gave him. The certainly do not appear to have held the temper popularly ascribed to them. "At present," replied the Captain, "they are most hostile to the foreigner, but we know that a bad enemy can be turned into a good friend, and I venture to predict that in the not too distant future the Hunanese will be the leaders in the march of reform and progress. Religious of all sorts appears to thrive—a good sign, broken down pagodas and ill-kept temples are seen, new ones are frequently met with, and even the priests have an air of comfort and prosperity which is quite to keep with their excellent raiment. Above all things, a stranger in Hunan who is acquainted with the disheartening apathy displayed in other parts of China must be forcibly struck by the keenness of these people."

The future of Hunan appears to be a factor which will largely influence the opening up of China to Western civilisation. All the past history of the Hunanese shows their hard and independent spirit, and even the Taiping rebels in 1852 were unable to enter the capital, their efforts to do so being spoken of with scorn to this day by the Hunanese. More than once during Captain O'Sullivan's stay the people hastened to him that no Manchu had ever crossed their walls, and that no Manchu garrison had ever been suffered to occupy any town in their province. As a setoff against this independent and almost rebellious attitude, it must be admitted that the present Governor, a man of progressive and enlightened views, has done much to turn more moderate and less bigoted sentiments among his people. He has begun with an installation of electric light at his Yamen, and now over one hundred shops in its vicinity are lighted by electricity. When we call to mind that telegraph poles were erected in Hunan, so to speak, at the point of the bayonet, and that even now only three places in the province are telegraphically connected with the rest of China, the significance of the innovation will be better appreciated. The Governor has also procured two steam despatch-boats for towing coal barges, and so supplying Hunan coal to the mandarin-owned mills and works at Wuchang and Hanyang. He has crowned these measures by the establishment of a college for the study of the English language. The President is General Chen Hui-Ping, Commander-in-Chief in Hunan, an advocate of the pro-foreign policy, and the Principal is Mr. Li Wei-Ke, a gentleman who was educated at Brighton, in England, and has served in the Chinese Diplomatic Service at Washington and in Japan. I have come across with people here in Shanghai who know China well, and to assure me that, if Captain O'Sullivan's successful pioneering work be followed up by the British Government with energy, the moral effect, not only in Hunan, but in other portions of the Yangtze basin, will prove important and beneficial.

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ANNIVERSARIES.

1842—British troops landed at Nanking.

1856—Madame Vestris died.

1866—Typhoon in Hongkong and Macao.

TO-DAY.

Tuesday, 9th August, 1898.

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